**IMPORTANT:**

**PLEASE SEE COMPLETE APPLICATION DIRECTIONS ON PAGES 5 &**

**RETAIN PAGES 1-5 OF THIS DOCUMENT FOR YOUR RECORDS**

Required materials for the NUPSP application are to be received via email in PDF form to LolitaGarcia ([l-garcia2@northwestern.edu](mailto:l-garcia2@northwestern.edu)) no later than **Wednesday, December 13, 2023**. Please do not send other materials at this time.

**Required Application Materials**

1. **NUPSP Application** (Only pages 6-19 of this document): A PDF version of the completed and signed PRIMARY application and a completed SECONDARY application (MD **or** MD/PhD (MSTP)) should be submitted to Lolita Garcia ([l-garcia2@northwestern.edu](mailto:l-garcia2@northwestern.edu)) by **December 13, 2023**. Please be sure to complete all essays (Personal Statement and those included in the MD or MD/PhD (MSTP) Secondary Application).
2. **Letters of Recommendation**: THREE letters of recommendation are required, though up to FOUR may be submitted. At least one of the letters should come from a Northwestern science (or STEM) faculty member who has taught you OR a research advisor. ***All letters must be on official letterhead and signed*** and should be submitted electronically by the recommender (in PDF form) to Lolita Garcia (l-garcia2@northwestern.edu) by December 13, 2023.
3. **NU Transcript**: Your official Northwestern University transcript (including your final 2023 fall quarter grades). Request transcript before your Winter Break (with Registrar to email to [l-garcia2@northwestern.edu](mailto:l-garcia2@northwestern.edu) once available). Transcripts are due by **January 3, 2024**.

**Deadlines**

**All materials should be emailed in PDF form to Lolita Garcia (**[**l-garcia2@northwestern.edu**](mailto:l-garcia2@northwestern.edu)**)**

* **By Wednesday, 12/13/23: NUPSP Applications (Primary & Secondary) & Letters of Recommendation (emailed in PDF form from letter writer)** 
  + **\*\**Please make sure you sign and date your application*\*\***
* **By Wednesday, 1/3/24: Official NU Transcript**

**About NUPSP**

The Northwestern Undergraduate Premedical Scholars Program (NUPSP) is an early acceptance program for high-achieving Northwestern undergraduate students who have completed 2 full years of undergraduate study with a demonstrated commitment to a career in medicine at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine.

NUPSP is for students who have committed to the Feinberg School of Medicine (FSM) as their program of choice and requires a binding decision on the part of both the applicant and the medical school. Students are accepted during their 3rd undergraduate year for matriculation into the Feinberg School of Medicine (FSM) after their 4th undergraduate year. The program is not designed to be a fast track to medical school. Transfer students may apply if they meet the listed requirements and coursework was conducted at a similarly rigorous program. NUPSP students may be accepted into either the MD or MD/PhD (MSTP) program.

Each year, approximately 10-15 NUPSP students are offered early acceptance to FSM. The accepted student agrees to enter FSM in July/August of the calendar year after acceptance and, assuming all program provisions are met, FSM agrees to commit a seat to the applicant for that year.

NUPSP students are not required to take the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) for the program. However, if they do take the MCAT, they are expected to achieve a score that is in line with the FSM entering class profile, and this score will be taken into consideration during the application review.

This program also supports and encourages program participants to engage in extra-academic exploration and activities during the academic year after acceptance and before medical school entry.

**NUPSP Requirements**

**NUPSP is intended for Northwestern undergraduate students who:**

* Have committed to a career as a physician.
* Have demonstrated their commitment to medicine by participating in several years of ongoing extra-academic clinical, volunteer, and research activities.
* Have completed 2 full years in residence at Northwestern University with an overall and science GPA of 3.7 or higher.
* **Have completed at least 2 of the 4 premedical prerequisite course sequences listed below at the time of application and in residence at Northwestern University. The full Biological Sciences sequence and at least one-quarter of Organic Chemistry must be completed at the time of application (NOTE: Exceptions may be made for some majors (i.e., Biomedical Engineering, Neuroscience, ISP); please consult with your premedical advisor).** 
  + Inorganic, Physical Chemistry – 3 quarters or equivalent (Either Chemistry 110, 131, and 132 with labs, Chemistry 151 and 152 with labs, or Chemistry 171 and 172 with labs)
  + Organic Chemistry –
    - 2 quarters (215-1, 2 with corresponding labs) **+** Biochemistry 301
    - **OR**  212-1, 2, 3 with corresponding labs)
  + Physics – 3 quarters (130-1, 2, 3 or 135-1, 2, 3 with labs)
  + Biological Sciences –
    - 3 quarters (Bio 201, 202, 203 with labs 232, 233, 234)
* PLEASE NOTE: The following courses are highly recommended or encouraged, but not required.
  + Highly recommended: English composition, Statistics, Biochemistry
  + Encouraged: Genetics, Global Health, the Humanities, Social Sciences (i.e., Psychology, Sociology, Ethics)

**Applying to NUPSP**

**Before submission of an application** to the Northwestern Undergraduate Premedical Scholars Program, interested students who have met [admissions requirements](https://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/admissions/how-to-apply/programs/nupsp/requirements.html) should**:**

1. Fully familiarize yourself with the Feinberg School of Medicine’s medical curriculum and features of the school by visiting:  <https://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/md-education/index.html>
2. Explore fully the extent of your motivation towards a career in medicine. Also seek advice from your premedical advisor and your college advisor on whether the Feinberg program is a good fit for you and, subsequently, determine your commitment to a binding Feinberg attendance decision.
3. Meet with a premedical advisor in [Health Professions Advising](https://www.northwestern.edu/health-professions-advising/) for assistance in evaluating your completed academic course of study and extra-academic activities for NUPSP application. If you do not already have an assigned pre-health advisor, email [premed-prehealth@northwestern.edu](mailto:premed-prehealth@northwestern.edu) to be assigned an advisor and schedule an appointment.

**For additional application information and submission requirements,**

**please visit the NUPSP website at:**  <https://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/admissions/how-to-apply/programs/nupsp/>

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| **Questions may be referred to**: | |
| Health Professions Advising  Northwestern University  1940 Sheridan Road  Evanston, IL 60201  [Premed-prehealth@northwestern.edu](mailto:Premed-prehealth@northwestern.edu)  PH: 847-467-4281 | Office of MD Admissions  Feinberg School of Medicine 310 E. Superior St., Morton 1-606 Chicago, IL 60611  [l-garcia2@northwestern.edu](mailto:l-garcia2@northwestern.edu)  PH: 312-503-0567 |

**INSTRUCTIONS for Completing the NUPSP Application**

When completing your NUPSP application, please type only within the text boxes. Upon completion, print and sign your application. Completed and signed applications should be then scanned and emailed in PDF form to Lolita Garcia.

**All NUPSP applications & associated materials should be emailed (in PDF form) to Lolita Garcia (**[**l-garcia2@northwestern.edu**](mailto:l-garcia2@northwestern.edu)**):**

* **By Wednesday, 12/13/23: NUPSP Applications (Primary & Secondary) & Letters of Recommendation (emailed in PDF form from letter writer)** 
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| 1. **Personal Information** | | |
| **Identifying Information** | | |
| Legal Name (Last, First Middle): | |  |
| Chosen or Preferred Name: | |  |
| NU Student ID (EMPLID) Number (7 digits): | |  |
| Sex Assigned at Birth (male/female): | |  |
| Birth Date (MM/DD/YYYY): | |  |
| Birthplace: | |  |
| Country Citizenship: | |  |
| Visa Status (if applicable): | |  |
| **Contact Information** | | |
| Campus Address: | |  |
| Permanent Address: | |  |
| Email Address: | |  |
| Cell Phone Number: | |  |
| Permanent Phone Number: | |  |
| **Self-Identification** | | |
| Gender Identity (optional): | |  |
| Pronouns (optional): | |  |
| Sexual Orientation (optional): | |  |
| Other Impactful Experiences (optional) - (i.e. family and financial background, community setting, education experiences, class, SES, geography, sexual and gender identities, first generation, other life experiences): | |  |
| Primary Language Spoken: | |  |
| Other Languages Spoken  (include proficiency level: Basic, Fair, Good, Advanced, Native/Functionally Native): | |  |
| **Parents & Guardians** | | |
| Parent or Guardian 1 | Name (Last, First Middle): |  |
| Sex (male/female): |  |
| Living? (yes/no): |  |
| Legal Residence (County, State, Country): |  |
| Education Level: |  |
| School Name: |  |
| Occupation: |  |
| Parent or Guardian 2 | Name (Last, First Middle): |  |
| Sex (male/female): |  |
| Living? (yes/no): |  |
| Legal Residence (County, State, Country): |  |
| Education Level: |  |
| School Name: |  |
| Occupation: |  |
| Parent or Guardian 3 | Name (Last, First Middle): |  |
| Sex (male/female): |  |
| Living? (yes/no): |  |
| Legal Residence (County, State, Country): |  |
| Education Level: |  |
| School Name: |  |
| Occupation: |  |

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| 1. **Academic Experiences** | | |
| **Degree Information** (undergraduate only) | | |
| Undergraduate Major(s): |  | |
| Undergraduate Minor(s): |  | |
| **Academic Honors & Awards** (undergraduate only; in chronological order) | | |
| *Date Awarded (MM/YYYY)* | *Name of Honor/Award* | *Description* |
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| 1. **Extracurricular Experiences & Activities** (undergraduate only; in reverse chronological order)   *Categories: Community Service/Volunteer (Medical/Clinical or non-Medical/non-Clinical), Conference Attended, Extracurricular Activity, Intercollegiate Athletics, Leadership (not listed elsewhere), Military Service, Paid Employment (Medical/Clinical or non-Medical/non-Clinical) Physician Shadowing/Clinical Observation, Presentation/Poster, Publication, Research/Lab, Teaching/Tutoring/Teaching Assistant, Social Justice/Advocacy*  *Most Meaningful Experiences: Select at least 1 experience (up to a total of 3) that has been most meaningful to you in your development and journey toward medicine. For this(/these) most meaningful experience(s),please include an additional paragraph (up to 1,325 characters) in the “Experience Description” subsection to describe the transformative nature of the experience, the impact you made while engaging in the activity, and the personal growth you experienced as a result of your participation.*  *NOTE: Please enter up to 15 experiences, but do not feel obligated to complete all 15 if not necessary.* | | |
| Experience  1 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
| Aticipated Start/Anticipated End Dates: |  |
| Anticipated Hours: |  |
| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  2 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
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| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  3 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
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| Anticipated Hours: |  |
| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  4 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
| Aticipated Start/Anticipated End Dates: |  |
| Anticipated Hours: |  |
| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  5 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
| Aticipated Start/Anticipated End Dates: |  |
| Anticipated Hours: |  |
| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  6 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
| Aticipated Start/Anticipated End Dates: |  |
| Anticipated Hours: |  |
| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  7 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
| Aticipated Start/Anticipated End Dates: |  |
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| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  8 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
| Aticipated Start/Anticipated End Dates: |  |
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| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  9 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
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| Aticipated Start/Anticipated End Dates: |  |
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| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  10 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
| Aticipated Start/Anticipated End Dates: |  |
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| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  11 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
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| Anticipated Hours: |  |
| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  12 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
| Aticipated Start/Anticipated End Dates: |  |
| Anticipated Hours: |  |
| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  13 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
| Aticipated Start/Anticipated End Dates: |  |
| Anticipated Hours: |  |
| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  14 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
| Aticipated Start/Anticipated End Dates: |  |
| Anticipated Hours: |  |
| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |
| Experience  15 | Experience Type: |  |
| Experience Name: |  |
| Organization Name: |  |
| Experience Location (Country, City, State): |  |
| Contact Name/Title: |  |
| Start/End Dates: |  |
| Completed Hours: |  |
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| Most Meaningful Experience? (yes/no): |  |
| Experience Description (700 characters): |  |

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| 1. **Personal Statement**   Describe your motivation for becoming a physician. Write specifically about how you have explored your interest in medicine.  **(Limit your response to 375 words)** |
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| 1. **Letters of Recommendation**   Please indicate from whom your Letters of Recommendation will be sent. | | |
| *Author Name* | *Author Email Address* | *Relationship to Applicant* |
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**\*REMINDER:** **Letters of Recommendation should be on official letterhead, signed by the letter writer, and be sent to the Office of MD Admission directly from the letter writer.**

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| 1. **Applicant Attestation** | | | | |
| I am applying to the (**choose one**): | | [MD Program](https://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/admissions/) | | [MSTP (MD/PhD) Program](https://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/sites/mstp/how-to-apply/index.html) |
| *NOTE: The Secondary Application for either program is a required component of your NUPSP application.* | | | | |
| Have you or do you plan to take the MCAT before February 2024 (Yes/No)? | | |  | |
| *If you have received your MCAT score, please share that information here:* | | |  | |
| Have you submitted a 2023 AMCAS application for regular medical school admissions (Yes/No)? | | |  | |
| * To the best of my knowledge, the information submitted on this application is true. I certify that all written passages including required essays are entirely my own and have not been written, in part or in whole, by another author and are not in any way the product of generative artificial intelligence. I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all of the information I have provided or   will provide in support of my application is correct and complete. I understand that falsification, misrepresentation, and/or  material omission of any information submitted will be sufficient grounds for denying admission to, or for dismissal from, the  school I am applying to.   * I understand that the NUPSP application (Primary & Secondary) & Letters of Recommendation are to be submitted no later than **December 13, 2023.** * I understand that my official NU transcript including fall grades are to be submitted no later than **January 3, 2024** | | | | |
| **Name (Print)** |  | | | |
| **Name (Signature)** |  | | | |
| **Date** |  | | | |